
DIGEST

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CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT DIGEST

House Bill No. 98 by Representative Thibaut

Keyword and oneliner of the instrument as it left the House

PUBLIC BUILDINGS/GROUNDS: Authorizes public school boards to name certain school athletic facilities after living persons

Report adopts Senate amendments to:

1. None.

Report rejects Senate amendments which would have:

1. Added authority for a school board to name a street within its jurisdiction in honor of a living or deceased person.

Report amends the bill to:

1. Add authority for a school board to name a street that is maintained by the board and that is not a state or federal highway in honor of a living person.

Digest of the bill as proposed by the Conference Committee

Present law provides that no public building, public bridge, public park, public fish or game preserve, or public wildlife refuge owned by the state or by any political subdivision of the state or by any institution receiving its support in whole or in part from the state shall be named in honor of any living person, except as authorized or provided by law. Such authorization in present law includes that which allows a school board to name an existing athletic facility at a high school in honor of a living person. Allows the board to establish criteria for such naming but provides that such criteria are not a prerequisite for the exercise of this authority.

Proposed law broadens the application of such authority to allow a school board to name the following at any school within its jurisdiction in honor of a living person:

- (1) A street that is maintained by the school board and that is not a state or federal highway.
- (2) An existing athletic facility.

(Amends R.S. 17:85)